

It is an error to suppose that our fathers aimed to establish a government of perfect union. Their first aim was to secure certain rights, which they claimed as British subjects. Failing in this, they aimed at one single object—the independence of the colonies. Having achieved this by means of a Confederation of the colonies, their next object was to accomplish another great object, which was to form an absolutely perfect union. It is not perfect Union that they had in mind, but a perfect Union, that they had in mind. It is not perfect Union that they had in mind, but a perfect Union, that they had in mind.

Our fathers had to form such a Union or Federal Government as the people of all and of the several States were prepared to sanction. Each member of the Convention that framed the Constitution, had in his mind the ideal of a perfect Government, but it was found that no one of these was adapted to the condition of the country, and the Constitution was framed and the Union finally consolidated by a fusion, a blending and a compromise of the views, sentiments and plans of different individuals and sets of individuals.

It may be pardoned, perhaps, if, in our overflowing patriotism, we talk on the Fourth of July about our perfect system of Government. But in sober earnest, we must admit that it is perfect in no other sense than in its adaptation to the wants of the people. The "law given by Moses," though having the Divine sanction, was far from instituting a perfect government, according to modern notions of justice and right. Its perfection consisted in its adaptation to the needs of the people for whose guidance and instruction it was instituted.

Our fathers were united in one object in the Revolutionary War, namely, to gain their national independence; as they united in one object in forming the Federal Constitution, namely, to establish a perfect union, that we may have a perfect Union, that we may have a perfect Union, that we may have a perfect Union.

A Good Move for Gen. Buckingham. We are right glad to see that a move has been made to complete and fill up the parts of regiments in the several camps in Ohio. Gen. Buckingham has given the officers until the 25th to complete their regiments. We suppose at that time all that have not their full number will be filled up. Put the fragments together, and make up regiments. There are Colonels we could name, with parts of regiments, who have been in Camp Chase over three months, and we think we might safely say, who will remain there for three months to come, before they will fill up their regiments.

This plan might dispose of some Colonels, Major, etc., for the time being, but that would be a calamity which the country could never know. We know full officers about here who will fill all a regiment, and never ought to command one.

We hope Gen. Buckingham will carry out his order to the letter. It is a move in the right direction.

Gen. Nelson has received orders to withdraw his forces from Eastern Kentucky. The rebel organizations in that region are regarded as broken up. A force of loyal Kentuckians will, however, remain as a guard at Prestonburg.

It is rumored that the Kentucky regiments under Gen. Nelson are ordered to various points in Kentucky to recruit, while the Ohio regiments, comprising the Second, Col. Len. Harris; Twenty-first, Col. Norton; Thirty-third, Col. Hill; and the Fifty-third, Col. Fife, together with Konkle's Fourth Ohio Battery, are ordered to and are en route for Lexington, Ky. They are expected in Catechogue next Thursday morning, the 21st inst.

The Gallipolis (O.) Dispatch of the 15th inst., after noticing the capture of Gayandotte and Sedars by the Virginia Confederates, which towns lie on the Ohio river, says:

These troubles now upon our borders are no worse than we have anticipated, and published weeks since, while other papers were urging the withdrawal of troops from Western Virginia, that we considered this section in greater danger than it has ever been, and we now say unless a military force is kept upon the river to meet any probable force the enemy may bring, we shall meet with the same fate as Gayandotte.

From Cheat Mountain.

WHICH QUARTERS AT CHEAT MOUNTAIN  
Summit—Practice of Soldiers in  
Quarters—Climate—Prospect of  
Leaving, &c.

CHEAT MOUNTAIN SUMMIT.  
November 15, 1861.

EDITOR OHIO STATESMAN: As the "family interests" of Ohio are pretty largely represented in this region, a few items in regard to their progress, prospects, &c., may not be uninteresting. The 24th, 25th and 33rd Ohio are here; the 24th and 25th being the two oldest regiments on the Summit. We have, in the brigade, constructed and under way, over one hundred substantial log-cabins, designed for quartering troops, commissary stores, &c. When one takes into consideration the disadvantages under which the men have to labor, a truly gigantic work has been performed. The entire brigade has been miserably supplied with tools, not even an auger being furnished by the Government. The only tools, with the exception of axes, employed in the building of the mountain city, were one "Seesh" auger, one do, one do, draw-knife, and with this meagre supply four thousand men have to work. The greater part of our lumber had to be brought from a distance of half a mile, and that upon the backs of the men. It is a novel as well as a pitiable sight to see from twenty to twenty-five men staggering along beneath a huge pile, and fairly dropping when they arrive from pure exhaustion. Great, indeed, must be the patriotism which induces men to undergo such hardships as are here imposed, and uncomplainingly, with the exception of a few isolated cases, performed. The chimneys are all substantial stone structures, while the buildings are neatly roofed and "chinked and daubed" thoroughly. When the work was commenced we were promised a "saw-mill," but the "thing" has never made its appearance, and, in all probability, never will—in fact, it is not so needed. The continued and severe labor which the men have been compelled to perform is telling on the health of every regiment, and many have been sent to the hospital from injuries received by lifting and exposure. No matter whether the sun shines or the rain pours, whether cold heavy fogs surround, or blinding snow drifts about them, the everlasting "fatigue-call" greets the ear, and busy hands work on.

One company, A, Captain Charlesworth, of the Twenty-fifth, have finished their "shanties," and moved into them. A jollier, more sociable and let-care alone set of fellows never congregated together, and for lack of something more interesting I will give you an idea of the manner in which we (for I happen to be one of them) pass our "winter evenings." Immediately after "fatigue roll call" in the evening, the boys assemble in their shanties, around huge birch and pine log fires and commence their various amusements. In our cabin to-night, there are some twenty-five or thirty "gay and festive couples" assembled, and among them the "fiddler," who, after drawing his bow across a pine knot for want of rosin, leads off with "Dixie Land" and ten or fifteen "pitch in," with a vim worthy of a better cause. In one corner a party of four are deeply immersed in that history, the author of which is Samuel Hart; in another corner, two mathematical young men are studying the intricacies of the chess-board, while a third party are skulking dominoes manufactured from a pine shingle; still another party foras and an old newspaper this time is the center of attraction. Some one is reading the news, and one by one the merry dancers gather around, the card-players look up from their game and listen, the dominoes cease to rattle, chess-men lose their interest and the reader and his unpretending little sheet becomes, for the time, the sole engrossing object. Even your humble servant, who has all this time been perched, like an owl, high over head in his bunk, arouses from his reverie and lends an attentive ear. After listening till all are assured that "Washington is safe," and Lincoln still lives, the dancing commences, the games go on—What matter though the wind does blow and the snow fall, we are warm in our shanties, and will be merry.

To-day the boys were electrified at hearing of a "prospect" for leaving this point, and though our probable destination was not mentioned, the news was received with three cheers. We were ordered to Kentucky to be received there would be rejoicing on Cheat Mountain. The clothing for the Twenty-fifth has arrived, and such as it is, is very plentiful. The over-coats are a very inferior article, as are also the pantaloons; the under-clothing is very good, and, in fact, but few complaints are now uttered. All that our troubles officers and men, is the fear of having to winter in this region. They claim, and with good grounds too, that after going through so many hardships and all danger for the winter being over, they ought to be relieved, and allowed to again visit civilization. The sickly season is past and many are now weak and unfit for duty who would rapidly recover amid other scenes and change of climate. We have had six inches of snow up here and falling daily.

The "Seesh" at Green Bazar are deserting daily, some fifty or sixty having come in in the last three days. They state that their troops are suffering severely, being unable to build winter quarters, not having time for watching. We received the intelligence to-day that Col. Thomas Ford had been appointed Brigadier General. Although many were pleased to hear of an Ohio General, yet had the appointment been conferred upon the Lieutenant-Colonel of the Twenty-fifth (William Richardson), it would have rendered more general satisfaction, as he has been through fire with the boys and deported himself in gallant style, whereas Col. Ford is a stranger to them in every thing but "politics." More of this anon. Should any thing of importance turn up, I will advise you. Yours, &c.

TYPO.  
FROST'S DESCRIPTION.—  
A farmer living about one mile from Gayandotte, ascertaining that a Federal soldier had escaped from the recent massacre, took his gun and went out and shot him. The body was found by Zeigler's avengers, and on learning all the circumstances, they proceeded to the soldier's house, surrounded it, took him out and shot him. Then ordering his family away, they fired the building, and staid long enough to see it completely demolished.

WAY REFRAGORY IS AN OPEN PORT.—Doubt has been expressed in several quarters as to the right of the National Government to raise the blockade at Beaufort, while maintaining it elsewhere. This proposition is conveyed that the whole cotton is paralyzed by the dropping of the single loop, and that European Powers, patient heretofore, will never permit such capricious relaxations. It is sufficient to say in answer, that the proclamation of the blockade closed "red ports." Any port passing from the possession of the rebels is by the very fact re-opened, and trade resumes its flow thither as a matter of course, inasmuch that it would require fresh Executive action to close it to shipping, whether foreign or domestic. Col. Ford only awaits the appointment of a Collector at Beaufort to grant any clearance demanded. Such an appointment Secretary Chase engages to make forthwith.—N. Y. Times.

The Potomac and the Great Expedition.

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General Sterling Price, commanding forces at Cassville, Mo.

General—Referring to an agreement, purporting to have been made between Major-General Fremont and Price, respectively, commanding antagonistic forces in the State of Missouri, to the effect that, in future, the military operations of the two armies, as well as the military operations of citizens within the limits of said State, for the mere entertainment or expression of political opinions, shall hereafter cease; that families now broken up for such causes may be reunited, and that the war now being waged shall be exclusively confined to armies in the field—I have to state:

That, as General commanding the forces of the United States in this Department, I can in no manner recognize the agreement aforesaid, nor any of its provisions, whether implied or direct; and that I can neither issue, nor allow to be issued, the "joint proclamation" purporting to have been signed by yourself and Major-General John C. Fremont, on the first day of November, A. D. 1861.

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